

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	Thomas Belling et al.
Application No.:	10/520,630
Filed:	August 19, 2005
Group Art No.:	2416
Confirmation No.:	9541
Examiner:	Baron, Henry
Title:	<b>AVOIDING MALFUNCTIONS IN MEDIA GATEWAY CONTROLLERS AND/OR MEDIA GATEWAYS</b>

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the initial review of the application referenced above by Thomas Belling et al. entitled "Avoiding Malfunctions In Media Gateway Controllers And/Or Media Gateways," please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.